Rosetrees Trust Interdisciplinary Prize 2019

To stimulate collaborative research between Medicine and Mathematics or Computing and or Artificial Intelligence

Since 2014 Rosetrees has held an annual Interdisciplinary Prize. This funding call is open to institutions with the aim of developing collaborative studies between researchers in different fields. We hope that by stimulating new research collaborations this Prize will result in breakthroughs that have real potential to improve human health.

The award is worth up to £250,000 funded over 3 years, and can be used to support any aspect of the proposed research.

Guidelines for applications

- Applications should be truly interdisciplinary in nature – and clearly represent collaboration between two different disciplines.
- Applications can relate to any disease or medical condition which affects a significant proportion of the population.
- One application per institution is required. If there are several interested applicants, it is up to the University to decide which is the most appropriate to submit.
- The length of application is limited to 5 pages inclusive of supporting figures.
- A 500 word abstract
- Applications should outline the following:
  - Project background – identifying the problem and the aim of the study
  - Researchers involved, nature of interdisciplinarity and relevant experience of applicants
  - Plan of research study – what is involved, approach to be taken and clinical translation
  - Time Frames & outline of expected costs over the 3 years
- Applications will be reviewed by a panel of independent reviewers, who will assess a range of criteria:
  - experience and track record of the researchers
  - importance of the research
  - the interdisciplinarity of the project
  - how well placed the researchers are to carry out the study
  - impact of the research and potential for translation/future clinical benefit
  - whether the scale and nature of funding is appropriate

Applications will be ranked by a panel of peer reviewers, and the top applications reviewed by specialist reviewers who can comment on the specific area of work.

There is no limit to the number of applicants, but two lead applicants should be named. The Dean of Research or Head(s) of Faculty should provide a letter(s) of support for the chosen application.

The deadline for applications is midnight on Thursday 28th February 2019 to include:

- a five page project proposal including references suitable for a panel of academics
- a 500 word abstract
- a combined letter or letters of support from Dean of Research /relevant Faculty heads
- max 2 page CVs of the two lead researchers
- Publications also listing 5 most recent and 5 most relevant

We will fund directly incurred costs associated with the project including salaries, consumables and animal costs. We will also consider travel costs (max. £1000) and small equipment costs (max £1000) that are essential to the project. Please provide details in the cost breakdown. We will not fund directly allocated costs, indirect costs or PhD tuition fees.

Please send Applications to Sheree Oxenham soxenham@rosetreestrust.co.uk